

some other unless it were proposed to have as many as thirteen wards.

No One Offers Objection.

President Henry W. Wood, of the Chamber of Commerce, spoke of the vital interest of the chamber, not in politics but in the upbuilding of the city along the business lines. Mr. Wood asked if there were any one to speak against the proposed plan of redistricting the city, and no one offered objection. Mr. Lumsden moved that that part of the report be recommended for adoption, and the plan and voted for it, though against the protest of some of his constituents.

Then came debate long and earnest over the more important part of the report, the resolution requesting a charter change creating an administrative board to supercede in executive management of the city departments fourteen Council committees. Mr. Rountree, of the special committee, spoke of it as a business plan. He said corporations now managed their business enterprises, and as practically the method now in successful operation in Toronto and other cities. He was slow to believe that there was a lobby of city employees against it, saying that no employee who was giving a fair day's work for his pay could object, and the sooner the others were known and eliminated the better.

Boyd Indorses Report.

James N. Boyd spoke earnestly, telling of the efforts in all lines of trade to do away with cumbersome ways of carrying on business. He said that come down night after night to attend to the city's business himself, he said, and wouldn't ask others to do it for nothing. The city should pay to have its work done, and well done. "I indorse the report," he said. "While I am an honest councilman, we can put it into effect. It may save a great loss in the future."

L. Z. Morris, of the committee, said that the report did not offer perfection, but a long departure from antiquated methods. The only opposition, he said, was as to the method of election, and because it did not go far enough and include the fire and police boards. He favored election by the people, and was satisfied that the voters would put into office men they could trust. If they did not they had only themselves to blame, and would get no credit for good results achieved to have. He thought it impracticable at this time to change the status of the other boards. The time might come when such a change could

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be made, but he thought it unwise to encounter useless opposition.

Better Than Commission.

Judge George L. Christian said that after close study he believed the plan presented separating legislative and executive departments according to basic principles, was a better form than what is known as the commission, and would give the city a government of which it might be proud. John C. Freeman illustrated present clumsiness by telling of the six-year effort to get a wharf, which no one had yet opened, and which had yet hung fire for five years. Dr. E. N. Calfe thought the plan for an Administrative Board went straight to the crux of the situation, cutting through all red tape, giving business management and leaving the Council free to legislate. He believed the people could be trusted with the election; that they could govern themselves better than any special class could govern for them.

Considerable note of opposition came from George McEl Eble, member of the Council, but not of the committee. He favored the plan, but opposed popular election of the commissioners on the ground that the best men would not enter such a contest, and that too many of the electorate was qualified to vote.

Hirschberg Amendment.

To test the sense of the committee, Mr. Hirschberg moved to strike out the exemption of the Fire, Police and Health Boards, putting all departments under one board. Chairman Pollard, of the special committee, said that the point had been very carefully considered. He was frank to say that for political reasons the amendment would greatly endanger and might occasion the defeat of the whole plan. Further, those departments are now managed by commissioners, who are not in the Council, and whose functions are purely executive, and the boards are limited by Council action as to their expenditures. All three were well managed as to compel the commendation of the community, and there was no pressing reason for change. Further, the newly elected commissioners would have all they could do to furnish the themselves with the work of the various departments. Later it might be wise to consolidate the Fire and Police Departments under the administrative board. He thought the Health Board should always be made up of scientific men who gave their services and skill to the city.

Much Business to Manage.

City Attorney Pollard reminded the committee that Richmond was the only city of its size owning its gas, water and electric lines. Some of the water works, a few gas, and none that he knew of their electric plants, making the burdens of business management heavier here than in other places. The School Board, he explained, was beyond the jurisdiction of the State, over which the Council had no control.

Mr. Umlauf favored the plan providing all the boards were consolidated, holding that men sitting daily could transact business better than any board or committee meeting twice a month. "If you want a clean and up-to-date government, I am with you," he concluded. "If you want to go half way, I am not with you." When the roll was called he voted no.

Mr. Gunn said that in redistricting the city was doing what had been advocated in 1895. His plan then was for a Council of eleven paid men to sit in daily session. While he still believed it superior, he found constitutional difficulties, and was impressed with the importance of action. "I do not approve of the plan entirely," he said, "but I oppose tampering with it so as to make its passage dangerous. If God knows we do need one vote for this proposition. Don't mess it up so that when adopted the committee that fathered it won't recognize it."

Amendment Is Lost.

The question on the Hirschberg amendment, to place the Police, Fire and Health Departments under the Administrative Board was called and the amendment rejected, 5 to 7, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Brown, Hirschberg, Lumsden, Nelson, Umlauf.

Noes—Buller, Gunn, Kain, Moncreur, Moore, Pollard, Underhiller.

Mr. Nelson asked whether in view of the importance of the proposed change it were not possible to submit it to the people. City Attorney Pollard, to whom the question was deferred, said it could be done, but one Legislature would have to take action giving authority for such vote, and

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the city would have to wait two years for the succeeding Legislature to enact the charter amendments making it effective.

The question was then ordered, just before midnight, on the original report of the committee as to creation of an Administrative Board, and it was recommended for adoption, 10 to 2, the noes being Messrs. Nelson and Umlauf.

MEXICO PERMITS IT

United States May Improve Levees in Nueces River Territory.

Washington, November 29.—Upon the return to Washington to-day from Mexico City of Assistant Secretary Carmel Thompson, of the Interior, with an announcement was made that the Mexican government had given permission to the United States to improve the levees along the Colorado River in Mexico.

Water from a break in the levees along the west bank of the Colorado River in Mexico and from volcanic lakes, which are fed by the Colorado River, threatened to inundate the Imperial Valley in California.

Church Will Suspend.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Alexandria, Va., November 29.—Bathway Methodist Protestant Church, with a congregation numbering 107, will suspend at a meeting of the congregation which will be held Friday night next at that church. At this meeting the resignation of Rev. W. M. Polak will be accepted. Rev. M. Polak will resign owing to illness. It

BRIEF RESPIRE FOR CAMPAIGN WORKERS

The 400 workers engaged in collecting contributions and donations in the \$150,000 Young Women's Christian Association building campaign have been granted a respite from their labors for Thanksgiving Day, although it is probable that they will keep on working to-day. Reports from the forty teams made at headquarters yesterday aggregated \$96,131, \$8,043 of which was collected during the day. It had been intended by the workers to pile up a total of \$100,000 by Thanksgiving, and of several among the most successful solicitors called to report yesterday it is probable that this ambition may have been realized.

At the end of the midday luncheon the Rev. James Buchanan, of the Associated Charities, was introduced and addressed the workers. Dr. Buchanan said that no form of endeavor so appealed to him as that which in any manner tended to uplift or benefit mankind.

During the absence of H. W. Wood, chairman of the campaign executive committee, O. A. Hawkins, of the campaign committee, presided. Mr. Hawkins did not neglect, however, to remind the several teams of the great necessity for continued labor, saying to them that the first \$100,000 was very probably more easily collected than the next \$50,000 would be.

Considerable activity was developed between the campaign workers, which is not at all confined to the women. The teams formed of men are keeping well to the front, and were very warmly complimented by Campaign Director Williams yesterday. Out of the forty teams comprising the 400 workers, the banner aggregation is Company G, of the young women's committee of 100, commanded by Mrs. Robert G. Cabell. This team has so far reported \$4,468, and is composed of the following: Mrs. Robert G. Cabell, captain; Mrs. H. W. Hawes, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. E. H. Richards, Mrs. W. E. Powers, Mrs. Irma Randolph, Mrs. W. S. Gordon, Miss Zedie Branch, Miss Martha Beale, Mrs. E. E. Quarles.

The next team in line is that commanded by W. Frank Powers, of the Citizens' Committee. It is known as is composed of the following workers: W. Frank Powers, captain; William W. Crump, Robert Lee Powers, E. Randolph Williams, Cunningham Hall, L. C. Williams, George Gibson, Dr. J. N. Uphur.

Next in line come the two teams from the Citizens' Committee, commanded by E. C. Laird and Horace S. Hawes, respectively. These teams have reported \$3,245 and \$3,010, and are formed as follows:

Division 4—E. C. Laird, captain; Edmund Studwick, Coleman Wortham, Jr., J. W. Young, T. S. Armistead, R. Christian, Douglas Wherry, J. B. Pinder, E. Saunders.

Division 5—H. S. Hawes, captain; L. Norfolk, Va., November 29.—The State School Trustees' Association to-day took up the suggestion of Attorney-General Williams, and adopted a resolution appointing a committee consisting of State Superintendent J. D. Eggleston, two superintendents and two trustees to take up with the State Board of Education the price of school books.

E. H. Hinton Jackson, who offered the resolution, said politics and book publishers are the greatest menace to the public schools of the State.

The trustees also urged the Legislature to amend the law to provide that the assessment for school purposes made by the boards of school trustees shall be adopted by the county superintendents and city council. The instruction being that the legal maximum of taxation shall not be exceeded.

A doctor of agriculture for every county is coming within the next ten years, said Dr. C. G. Creelman, president of the Agricultural College of Ontario, Canada, to-night in his address at the teachers' conference. What has been found out about agriculture must be told to the farmer direct, he declared, and the doctor will administer medicine administrators to his patients, he said.

Statistics of Growth.

In her annual report, Mrs. B. B. Menford, president of the Co-operative Educational Association, gave some important statistics of the growth of the public schools in Virginia.

"In the year 1902, previous to the organization of the Co-operative Educational Association, the public school property of the State of Virginia was valued at \$1,000,000.

To-day it is valued at \$8,555,343. In 1903 the total expenditure for support of public schools was \$2,135,364. To-day it is \$4,600,000. In 1903 local taxation furnished of this sum \$1,126,603, about 50 per cent; to-day it furnishes \$2,500,000, about 62 per cent. In 1903 only 50 per cent of Virginia's school children were enrolled and 33 per cent in actual attendance; to-day 83 per cent, or five-sixths of the children of the State are enrolled and 43 per cent, three-sevenths, is in attendance. The

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Fairfax; Joseph W. Everett, of Albemarle; C. B. Bowry, of Amelia and Nottingham; and G. G. Joyner, of Accomac, were the superintendents who read papers. The discussion revealed the fact that in some of the rural divisions the superintendent has to look after the schools in a territory embracing a thousand square miles, and containing 235 schools, and that the superintendent has no assistant whatever.

How to get the teachers to read professional literature, how to promote the efficiency of trustees, how to obtain the best results from normal training, and how to get the best results in rural schools were among the topics discussed.

Reports of officers and the executive committee of the department of principles constituted an important part of the meeting of that branch of the conference. A number of topics pertaining to school management were discussed.

George E. Gary, who had been ill for some time, died yesterday morning at 5 o'clock at his late residence in Porter Street, South Richmond. About six weeks ago Mr. Gary was stricken with apoplexy while at the residence of his sister, Mrs. H. E. DuVal, and for days he remained unconscious. While his condition from the beginning of his illness was of an alarming character, there were intervals of improvement that led his family and friends to hope that he would ultimately recover. Instead of getting better complications arose, and for the past week it was observed that his end was near.

Mr. Gary was born in Manchester fifty-five years ago, and was the son of the late Patrick H. Gary, a prominent tobacco merchant of his time. When a young man Mr. Gary was also en-

gaged in the tobacco business, having charge of the factory of the late William Hatcher, of Richmond. For the past twenty years Mr. Gary had been connected with the real estate firm of Augustine Royal & Co., of South Richmond. He was prominently identified with the business interests of old Manchester and of South Richmond.

Mr. Gary was regarded as a man of splendid business judgment and sagacity. When the two cities were united and Mr. Gary was chosen fire commissioner from Washington Ward, and his valuable services on that board were recognized by his associates. He was a director in the Mechanics and Merchants Bank of South Richmond, and of the Manchester Building and Loan Association. He was a prominent member of the Elks, and was connected with the Royal Arcanum, Bantaphophs and Woodmen of the World.

Mr. Gary married Miss Sallie Bassett French, daughter of the late Judge S. Bassett French. His wife had four children—Eleanor, Lyle, Margaret and Blanche—surviving him. He was a brother of Wyndham E. Gary and Irving B. Gary, of Henderson, N. C., and of Mrs. C. A. Leonard, Mrs. Ellen Buell and Mrs. H. E. DuVal, of South Richmond. He was exceedingly popular, and he was sadly missed by those who knew him.

The funeral will take place from the Meade Memorial Church at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, and the interment will be in Maury Cemetery.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Anna M. Preston.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Charlottesville, Va., November 29.—The death last night of Mrs. Anna M. Preston, widow of Colonel Thomas L. Preston, a distinguished officer in the Confederate army, at her beautiful home, "Wyndhurst," near the University of Virginia, removed the last surviving member of an interesting Virginia family. She was born in Maryland, and was the daughter of the late General Fleming Saunders, of "Flat Creek," Campbell county, and was eighty-four years of age. Congressman E. W. Saunders, of Rocky Mount, is her nephew.

Her husband, who died at "Wyndhurst" in 1903 at the advanced age of ninety-one, was at the time of his death the oldest living graduate of the University of Virginia. A member of the distinguished Preston family, from which came so many brilliant leaders, among them was a brilliant brother, Hon. William C. Preston, United States Senator from South Carolina. While a student at the University of Virginia, he was elected Madison and Monroe, then members of the board of visitors of the institution, and in 1850 he was elected a member of the board of trustees of the University, and served as rector. In that capacity, in company with Professors Minor and Maupin, he met the Federal troops on the occasion of their entrance into Charlottesville in March, 1865, and made a formal address to the venerable university buildings to General Philip Sheridan, who received the city of Virginia, and who, with urbanity and respect, and afforded the property protection and safety of the Virginia Legislature. He was the last on which is now located the

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